AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the Specification

Please **AMEND** Paragraph [0050] as follows:

[0050] In an implementation where a port 202 is connected to a full-duplex channel, the port [[204]] 202 exercise flow control on the channel by sending a "pause" frame to the channel, and release flow control by sending a "pause release" frame to the channel. The pause and pause release frames both comprise a bit vector having a bit for each class of service. When a bit is set in the bit vector in a pause frame, it indicates traffic for the corresponding class of service should be paused. Similarly, when a bit is clear in the bit vector in a pause release frame, it indicates traffic for the corresponding class of service can resume. This use of a bit vector allows a single pause or pause release frame to exercise or terminate flow control for multiple classes of service.